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POLONIA, HAKOAH IN 'SUDDEN DEATH' CLASH FOR SEMIS

The Polonia-N.S. vs. Hakoah clash at the Sydney Athletic Field tomorrow [Saturday], could mean "sudden death" for the loser as its chances for the semi-finals could be affected.

Polonia N.S., although affected by two injuries early in the match, continued their recent slump by losing to Auburn, and Hakoah were not convincing in snatching a draw from Pan Hellenic last weekend.

Short passes

This game should produce good football and fans will probably see a feast of clever short pass[illegible] and scientific moves.

These teams can [illegible] some of the best soccer in Sydney and it is hoped that the importance of the game will not spoil the match as a spectacle.

Polonia's rear-defence is very solid, but its half back line might be unable to cope with the Hakoah ball playing forwards.

The Hakoah half back line, on the other hand, is strong and I feel that this superiority over their opponents could win the match for them.

Will Canterbury, at last beat its "hoodoo" team Auburn at Arlington Oval?

With a morale-boosting win under its belt last Sunday, Auburn will again thoroughly test the Berrie[illegible]

I am going [illegible] th[illegible] their [illegible] their lively rivals [illegible] Smith is making [illegible] back" after many weeks of absence through injury.

Bankstown will probably repeat its first half win against Sydney Austral.

It should not be too difficult for the "Towns" to score their biggest tally of the season against opponents, who are mere shadows of a First Division club.

Sydney Austral's matches, now, appear to be mere formalities and their players — after months of setbacks — appear to have thrown in the sponge.

Unbeaten since June

Pan Hellenic, undefeated for 10 weeks, will be keen to avenge their first round 3:0 defeat by APIA, the last team which beat them, at Wentworth Park on Sunday.

APIA's pride received a severe blow last weekend and they will be all-out to climb to a higher position on the ladder.

The match should be a colossal battle between the formidable Pan Hellenic defence and the dangerous Wentzel-Baumgartner combination.

I feel that these two can be subdued by Toussis and Mavro and that Hearn, Genaris and Burgayne could do the rest — namely win the match for Pan Hellenic.

Budapest, after last Sunday's mammoth win, have an outside chance of still making the semis and this might make all the difference in their game against Gladesville.

Although Gladesville's blend of youth and experience triumphed last week Budapest get my nod for this match.

Schauman and the remarkable Medina, who is in great form, should prove too clever for Gladesville's tough defence.

It will be a close game, but Budapest, with added incentive, should win, although a draw is quite possible with the home ground in Gladesville's favor.

At the Sydney Athletic Field leaders Prague must be favored to gain both points from South Coast United.

Prague's all-round strength should account for the visitors, who show weaknesses in some key positions!

If Jim Kelly is fit to play Prague's forwards will find it harder to break through.

Their defence, however, will be too good for Van der Gaag, Burns and Co. as I cannot see E. Ninaus, Sherwin and Scheinflug allowing them through to win the match.

LOU GAUTIER

EXCITING FINISH NEARING CLIMAX

The competition, possibly the most exciting in the State's history, is rapidly approaching its climax.

Prague has once again established a three-point lead and it's difficult to see them losing the "minor premiership" or "league title", as suggested by Soccer World.

However, for the three other places at least four Of tese, only Canterbury tea[illegible] fight in great spirit. [illegible] win [illegible]st week [illegible]st a point [illegible] whelming and Auburn's surprising win came maybe a trifle too late for their semi-final aspirations, though, on paper, either could still do the trick.

In Second Division Yugal, with only five matches to go, retained its five-point lead ahead of the two arch-rivals, Balgownie and Granville, both of whom they have yet to play.

Should they lose both these highly important matches, the final phases of the fight for promotion would be incredibly thrilling.

Lost record

Items that made news last weekend included:

- **Polonia N.S. lost its unbeaten home record in 1961 to Auburn which, in turn, has maintained its unbeaten record against their victims.**
- **The last time Pan Hellenic lost was on June 4, the last time Canterbury went down was on June 24.**
- **Budapest's 9:1 was the biggest win of the season; last year's record was Prague's 10:1 over Manly and the Federation record since 1957 is Canterbury's 14:0 over Villawood in 1958.**
- **The best goal average in First Division is Canter-Bury's quotient of 1.82 per cent. compared with Prague's 1.80 per cent.**
- **Most goals by any Federation team have been scored by Corinthians' reserves: 71; most conceded by Sydney Austral's first team: 83; least conceded by Melita Eagles' reserves: 15 (in 14 matches).**
- **In First Division only one club has all its grade teams in the first four — Prague, but two have it in the last four— Gladesville and Sydney Austral.**
- **In five out of eight home games Balgownie conceded no goals.**

PAUL DEAN

STAR PARADE

Gerry de Vries - Bankstown

There can be little doubt about it: without him Sydney soccer would be a great deal less colorful, less exciting.

For this tall, ruggedly handsome Dutchman has been one of our "personalities" long before the mass arrival of European importations.

De Vries, now 33, started out in several sports.

In 1944—45 he played the Continental type of handball.

Later, in 1947, he switched to boxing and, the following year, reached the heavyweight final of the Dutch amateur championships.

"I lost in the final because I was too excitable' says he now.

"That same hot temper also cost me many matches in soccer in past years."

After his excursions into handball and boxing, Gerry concentrated on soccer and played for two of Holland's leading sides, Ajax of Amsterdam and Blue-Whites.

He never tried his luck in any other post: right from the start he has been a goalkeeper.

In 1952 he came to Australia and within weeks played for Sydney Austral, then in the, now defunct, Southern League.

Pretty soon he established for himself a home in Sydney and a name in soccer; the axiom in many a dressing room used to be: to beat "Austral" you have to beat De Vries.

In 1957 he returned to Holland for a visit — and almost stayed on.

"I could've got 10,000 guilders (about £1250) signing-on fee from NOAD of Tilburgh just for a season, but the FIFA ban on all Australian players blocked me", he said.

"I wanted to stay for just one year, to really test my ability and pick up some extra money.

"However, it was not to be. So I came back to Sydney".

And here he stayed, with Sydney Austral until the officials, in 1960, imported another goalie from Holland, Jan Bout.

De Vries then was given a transfer to Bankstown.

There, in his first season, he achieved great success: the winning of the Ascot Cup.

All those who saw this extraordinarily agile, daring young man that hot afternoon must agree that he had the lion's share of that victory.

Time and again Baumgartner, Smith, Watkiss and the others looked like scoring when from nowhere came Gerry's outstretched arms to frustrate all Canterbury attempts.

He kept his goal intact and Bankstown won 1:0.

Today, at 33, De Vries is much calmer, more stable than a few years ago.

His once famous tantrums have disappeared, giving way to maturity and ice-cold judgment.

In private life De Vries can also be regarded as a successful man: with his wife he manages an excellent city restaurant in Elizabeth Street, the "Rembrandt".

There, whether you are after an exquisite meal or some Sydney soccer reminiscences, the pleasant, polished De Vries will personally make sure you are welcome.

FEDERATION POINTS

Council:

- Many clubs are not availing themselves of their rights of participating in council meetings.

They either are not represented at all — or not by their top executive officers.

- The Management Committee's decision to impose a £250 good behavior bond on Croatia Club was endorsed by the Council.

Management Committee:

- There is a possibility of a match being televised by ABN Channel 2 on August 26 and negotiations are in progress at the moment.
- Too many club officials are allowed on the sidelines at many matches. This procedure must be discontinued.
- Balgownie Soccer Club this Sunday is having a Ladies' Day.

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EDITORIAL

Interstate matches

Dr. H. Seamonds, Chairman of the Federation of Soccer Clubs, made the following statement on Federation's policy regarding future representative fixtures:

- We strongly appreciate that interstate matches are of great benefit to the code.
- These matches are difficult to arrange as the respective competitions in each State start and finish at different times.
- The Federation's first obligation is to its member clubs, and it is not prepared to interfere with their fixtures, after the fixtures have been arranged.
- It is proposed therefore, to set aside certain dates like Easter Monday, or the Queen's Birthday, for interstate matches.
- In this way, we can boost the Code, assist the N.S.W. Federation of Soccer Leagues — and yet not disrupt our club's schedules.

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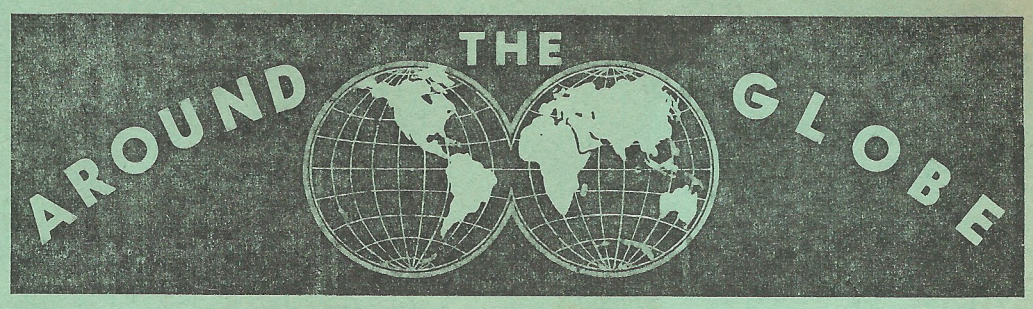

WORLD CUP

After the usual summer recess, international soccer will soon restart in Europe.

Main interest in the autumn fixtures lies in the World Cup qualifying matches that will resume in a few weeks and end by December.

These are the most imminent matches in the World Cup series:

Group II: France v. Finland in Paris, September 27.

The French should win easily but it will not yet take them to the finals as they have yet to meet Bulgaria in Sofia.

Group IV: East Germany v. Hungary in Leipzig, September 10.

Hungary, having won two previous matches in this group, need only one more; either this or a home match against Holland to go to Chile.

They may clinch it now.

Group V: Norway v. USSR in Oslo, August 23.

Norway stands little chance of getting into the 16-team final but could help Turkey there if they forced at least a draw against the Russians.

Group VI: England v. Luxemburg in London, September 28.

England won the first encounter 9:0 in Luxemburg and could even increase the margin this time.

However, for them the "moment of truth" will come in the match against Portugal on October 25.

Group VIII: Scotland versus Czechoslovakia in Glasgow, September 26.

A win for the Czechs would almost surely put them in the final while victory by the home team would leave things up in the air for a few more months.

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Since our last summary of the World Cup situation another country has qualified for the finals — Uruguay, world champions in 1930 and 1950, when they eliminated Bolivia.

Others, certain of a place in the finals, are Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Columbia.

Barring major upsets, these five also look fairly safe bets to make the long trek to Chille next year: Italy, Hungary, Spain, Yugoslavia and West Germany.

Another FIFA-ban

Hungarian players living in Western Europe — Puskas, Kocsis, Kubala, Czibor, Stany, Fazekas, Nemes and others — decided to play a charity match against Stockholm recently to aid the, still unsettled, refugees of the 1956 revolution.

The Swedes were enthusiastic and the match promised to be a sell-out in the Rasunda Stadium, when, at the insistance of the Hungarian FA, the FIFA intervened and banned the game, even though all the Hungarian players are properly registered with various West European clubs.

AUSTRIA

Austrian soccer manager Karl Decker, who this year succeeded in building his team into possibly Europe's strongest, recently underwent a serious kidney operation in Vienna.

Decker, in the 1940's played many times for "Ostmark", the occupied Austria and also for Germany alongside of other "recruited" Austrian stars.

FRANCE

French clubs seem to like the matured Austrian stars in their teams.

In between the two seasons they signed on several well-known former Austrian internationals including Stojaspal (35, by Metz), Kappl and Komik (27 and 33, Marseille) and Rieger (32, by Lens).

Le Havre is also interested in the 28-year-old Grohs.

ENGLAND

England's new F.A. president, Mr A. G. Doggart, is a former International.

He has played for England in both amateur and professional internationals.

In 1924 he scored three goals for England against Belgium.

Mr Doggart was also an County cricketer of no mean ability.

His appointment won unanimous approval from all sections of English football.

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New York tournament: Rapid v. Espanol 3:0; Monaco v. Petah Tikva 5:0; Red Star Belgrade v. Rapid 3:0; Espanol v. Petah 4:1; Concordia Montreal v Shamrock Rovers 2:2.

TAKE MY TIP . . .

Canterbury v. Auburn: 1957: 7:1 (a), 0:2 (h); 1958: 3:0 (a), 1:1 (h); 1959: 1:4 (a), 1:2 (h); 1960: 0:4 (a), 6:8 (h); 1961: 1:2 (a). Canterbury has never won, since Federation started, against their hoodoo team at home; tip Auburn.

Polonia v. Hakoah: 1957: 2:1 (a), 1:2 (h); 1958: 3:7 (a), 1:2 (h); 1959: 4:4 (a), 0:5 (h); 1960: 4:5 (a), 3:1 (h); 1961: 1:1 (a). Polonia (North Side's) home record against Hakoah in the past has been unimpressive, tip a draw.

Gladesville v. Budapest: 1959: 2:3 (a), 0:0 (h); 1960: 2:4 (a). 2:1 (h); 1961: 2:4 (a). Budapest has yet to win when away, tip a draw.

Prague v. South Coast: 1958: 1:2 (a), 1:2 (h); 1959: 2:0 (a), 6:3 (h); 1960: 4:1 (a), 3:1 (h); 1961: 3:2 (a). Tip Prague.

Bankstown v. Sydney Aust.: 1957: 2:0 (a), 3:2 (h); 1958: 0:2 (a), 2:1 (h); 1959: 1:5 (a), 1:2 (h); 1960: 5:2 (a), 3:3 (h); 1961: 3:2 (a). Tip, after a two years spell, another Bankstown home win.

Pan Hellenic v. APIA: 1961: 0:3 (a). Tip Pan Hellenic and a record crowd . . .

PAUL DEAN

KERWIN MAEGRAITH calls on Budapest

Paul Barclay finds it

VERY "APPEALING"

Do the laws of the game provide any penalty for over-acting? Certainly they should!

The amount of passionate pleading, tortured grimacing and gesticulating at many matches could be used to stock a whole dramatic academy.

Any referee could easily earn extra money as a critic of the historic art.

His every decision is met with nods and smiles or alternatively with impassioned pleas of innocence, probity and honour.

From a spectator's viewpoint it looks rather like a very old, very bad silent film, but in Cinemascope and colour.

The art of gesture will never die out while it is in such expert hands.

Some players use their whole bodies as they run forward, knees bent, arms extended, begging either for mercy, or for justice and retribution on the foe.

The fact that all this energy is invariably wasted doesn't seem to matter.

No referee, to my knowledge, has ever altered his decision because the actor's performance has moved him to sorrow or anger.

If things continue in this vein perhaps the daily Press will send their dramatic critics to cover our matches instead of sportswriters.

Coaches will explain the "method" to their pupils, and an expressive left eyebrow will count for more than an accurate left foot.

Of course some players, always overconservative, are resisting this new style of play, but fortunately there are hardly enough of them to retard this wholesome development.

It is to be hoped that some genius will compose suitable incidental music, so that players could burst into song at appropiately dramatic moments.

May I suggest that we start with:

- **The Penalty Lament,**
- **The Offside Arioso, and**
- **The Obscenity Cabaletta**

—to begin with.

The repertoire could be enlarged as it becomes necessary.

After all, they made a musical from Pygmalion and it was a huge success.

Perhaps we may have a similar stroke of luck, provided our game has plenty of appeal(s).

HELP KIDS TO LEARN

The growth of our junior soccer is increasing at a rate which is proving embarrassing to the Junior Associations.

There is a shortage of officials — managers and coaches.

But even more important is the shortage of referees.

Yet, from casual conversation, I am convinced there are hundreds of men who would be capable of controlling the kids matches, if only they were given the encouragement to offer their services.

In schoolboy games referee is vitally important.

For it is in these formative years they have to learn not only the rudiments and the basic skills, but learn the game itself.

Bad habits formed at early age in soccer, as in everything else, become increasingly difficult to eradicate in later years.

That is why the referees' role is so important. It is more than just controlling the game — it is a responsibility to explain decisions when they are made and point out mistakes as the game goes along.

It will be a tragedy if all this youthful talent fails to mature because of lack of people to guide them along the right lines.

So anyone who knows the game will be doing a great favour by applying to be a referee.

Trevor Hilton

A "WUNDERTEAM"? NOT YET - says Karl Decker

June 11, 1961, is a day that will not easily be forgotten by Karl Decker, the successful manager-coach of the Austrian national team.

For on that Sunday his wish was fulfilled: Austria succeeded in beating arch-enemy Hungary in Budapest for the first time since 1932.

This 2:1 triumph was an impressive crowning of a sensational series of victories which put Austria back on the map as a soccer giant, just as thirty years ago, when the unforgettable "Wunderteam" downed one country after another.

A beaming Decker counts the following scalps: Scotland 4:1, Norway 2:1, Russia 3:2, Spain 3:0, Italy 2:1, Switzerland 5:0, England 3:1, Hungary 2:1.

What is the secret of Austria's meteoric rise?

Says Decker:" I was coach for Grenchen in Switzerland, player coach that is.

"Before that I played for Sochaux in France.

"Nobody wanted the job of a manager-coach to the Austrian national team, because the country lost almost every game.

"In Sweden, at the world-championships, Austria was in the toughest group, among Brazil, Russia. England, and remained luckless.

"Then I returned to Vienna, and was offered the position of manager-coach to 'the team'.

"Thats what we call the national team.

"I first declined, then I grabbed the chance, it couldn't be worse as it was, anyway.

"My first task was to restore the friendship among old comrades.

"Many players still knew me from my career in Austria.

"There were also a number of young, new players.

"I tried to find the right mixture, but we lost again: 2:5 in Paris, 0:4 in Prague.

"Then, I sat together with the older players — Hannapi, Schmied, Koller, Stolz; we were unanimous — something must be done".

What was done, Decker — for years the scare of continental goalies, — describes in his nonchalant way:

"We devised a new formula — game plus fight.

"Viennese school mixed with toughness.

"Because up till then we died in beauty and our players were more like ballerinas, frightened of a tackle.

"We also sacrificed speed for precision.

By Imre Panda

"The pass must not necessarily be fast, but it must be deadly acurate. And they are now.

"Our passes always go to the man who can dart into the open and tear holes in the opposing defence.

"When the pass is right, there is hardly any tackle because the opponent cannot intercept.

"Then we have new tactics.

"The English wrote after their defeat — we fell victim to the 'Third Man tactics' in Vienna.

"In a way they were right, we played with three centre forwards.

"Buzek and Nemec fanning out, with Hannapi appearing from the rear like a bomber".

Has Austria a second 'Wunderteam?' Decker grins: "Not yet, we have only 15 good players.

"When there are 22 to draw from then perhaps we may produce one **again**".

Why does Austria not take part at the world championships in Chile?

Sighs Karl with resignation: "When nominations closed we were flat on our backs.

"Who knew then that two years later we will make mince meat of some of the best defences in the world?..."

Believe it or not . . .

With RICK BRUCE

Fulham's Scottish international right winger Graham Leggat claims there is hardly any difference in England between the top of the table teams, and the bottom.

Leggat says in Scotland the leading clubs, even with weakened teams, have no trouble in accounting for the lower ones.

— o —

Crane is not a common name, yet two players of Cambridge City F.C., a Southern League club, answer to it.

Len Crane goalkeeper, and Harry Crane left back, are on the professional staff of the Cambridge club... and early in 1959, Cambridge also had a David Crane, a 17-year-old centre half from Yorkshhire, who has since returned home.

None of them are related!

— o —

The signing of his own son by the manager of a league club is not unknown.

But it is extremely rare for the manager and the trainer each to have a son on the books of their club.

However that's the position at Reading.

David Johnston, 15-years-old son of Harry Johnston, the Reading manager, is on the ground staff at Elm Park, and Jimmy Wallbanks, son of trainer Jimmy Wallbanks, is also on the books.

David is an inside forward, Jimmy is a utility player.

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Colin Whitaker, the Shrewsbury Town outside left also works for the club as a joiner.

He is given carpentry jobs on all the property owned by Shrewsbury.

— o —

Jimmy Kenna, Nottingham Forest's promising young outside right was brought to the notice of manager Billy Walker by a letter from a stranger.

The writer had played a trial with Aston Villa years ago when Billy was a star player with that club.

He had always retained his admiration for Walker and thought he could do him a good turn by recommending Kenna. Manager Walker acted on the recommendation.

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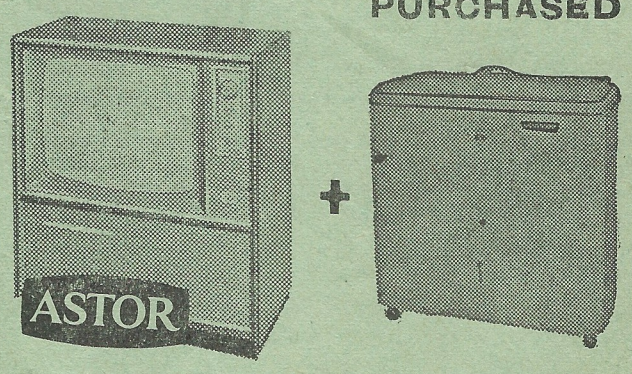

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Results and details at a glance

Players are given stars ranging from 1 to 6 as follows 1 = poor; 2 = mediocre; 3 = average;4 = good; 5 = excellent: 6 = outstanding; no award to sent-off-players.

RESULT & SCORES

HAKOAH
2 (1)

R. Levi (7 min.), J. Hejtmanek (89 min.).

PAN HELLENIC
2 (1)

R. Burgoyne (30 min.), S. Patrinos (60 min.).

Awards by: PAUL BARCLAY

PRAGUE
3 (2)

W. Tamandl (20 min.), F. Tamandl (36 min.), E. Ninaus (50 min.).

BANKSTOWN
1 (0)

N. Savell (57 min.).

Awards by: TAD TARG

A.P.I.A.
2 (2)

V. Wentzel (8 and 9 min.).

GLADESVILLE
3 (2)

D. Parish (20 min., penalty), J. Galanos (22 min.), B. Greenfield (68 min.).

Awards by: PAUL DEAN

CANTERBURY
4 (2)

J. Watkiss (7, 40 and 56 m.) J. Warren (87 min.).

SOUTH COAST
2 (1)

T. Rowles (32 min.), R[illegible] Burns (84 min.).

Awards by: PAUL BARCLAY

POLONIA N.S.
1 (1)

J. Bryce (16 min.).

AUBURN
2 (1)

G. Clydesdale (5 and 86 m.).

Awards by: EINAR PERSEN

BUDAPEST
9 (5)

J. Medina (1 and 8 min.), L. Schauman (26, 32, 34, 48 /penalty/ 71, 74, and 79 min.).

SYDNEY AUST.
1 (0)

A. Smit (80 min.).

Awards by: PAUL DEAN

HOW THEY LINED UP AND PLAYED

H. WENZL**** D. LAPWOOD**** J. AIRD**** G. CHALDI**** **K. JAROS***** A. BLUTSCH**** P. HRNCIR **** J. HEJTMANEK*** R. LEVI*** (injured) W. HUME *** J. FORGACS***

TOTAL: 41

J. HATZIS**** N. YANGOU**** E. MAURICE**** **E. MAVRO***** T. TOUSSIS***** C OMEROS**** D. GARGALE*** S. PATRINOS*** R. BURGOYNE*** **F. HEARN** ***** E. GENARIS***

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Referee: H. IPENBURG **Crowd: 11,050**

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G. DE VRIES**** E. WEST*** L. CONROY*** J. McDERMOTT*** **R. MADDEN***** K. WOODS*** W WESTWATER** T. YATES*** N. SAVELL**** J. RIVERS *** B. WAINWRIGHT***

TOTAL: 36

Referee: R. PEARCE **Crowd: 1,800**

J. DE FRANCESCO** L. STEDMAN**** N. CISETTINI **** R. DAVIS*** D. SCHIO**** F. BOTTALICO**** D. FAGAN** **V. WENTZEL***** L. BAUMGARTNER**** B. MORROW** P. HUGHES**

TOTAL: 36

K. HOUGH**** D. WISDOM**** **P. KEEN***** J. MARSLAND**** **W. ADDISON***** **B. GREENFIELD***** D. PARISH*** R. BAKER**** R. JARVIS*** J. GALANOS *** N. TOWNSEND***

TOTAL: 43

Referee: H. PARSONS **Crowd: 3,300**

R. BROWN**** E. JONES*** G. NUTTALL**** D. BROWN**** T. NORTH*** G. CAMPBELL**** J. AMIGO *** J. MOORE*** **J. WATKISS***** J. WARREN**** B. SALISBURY****

TOTAL: 41

M. TRISIC*** W. WILLIAMS*** W. TAYLOR*** P. [illegible]TERS**** S. DEVLIN**** J. HARRIS**** R. BURNS**** [illegible]ROWLES[illegible] **W. VAN DER GAAG***** T. HOGAN*** [illegible]RNALL***

[illegible]OTAL: 39

Referee: I. TIMMS **Crowd: 2,200**

M. VARGLIEN*** B. BOLAND**** **S. SKLAREK***** A. RINGLAND**** F. ROSA*** M. WALKER*** J. CZUBALA*** J. GALECZKA**** J. WONG*** J. BRYCE** (injured) W. PILOT** (injured)

TOTAL: 36

W. HENDERSON**** R. DUFF*** R. McLELLAND*** S. COUSINS**** **F. VAN GAALEN***** W. BARCLAY*** B. STAPLES*** R. HALL*** G. CLYDESDALE**** L. QUESTED*** H. ROBERTSON***

TOTAL: 38

Referee: K. LOCKREY **Crowd: 1,450**

Z. GREGORIC****, S. TSOMBARAS*** J. GERGELY **** B. JONAS**** **J. POMPOR*****, G. KOVACS*** J. VASVARI*** **J. MEDINA****** H. HOLZER*** C. KANGYAR**** **L. SCHAUMAN******

TOTAL: 45

J. BOUT** J. ABBEBROEK** J. ROOZENDAAL** G. PRIESSEN*** W. VAN SITTEREN*** J. DE BRUIN** J. VUISTING*** J. VERMEULEN** J. VAN DER WALL** W. ZOETEMAN**** A. SMIT***

TOTAL: 28

Referee: A. BOSCOVIC **Crowd: 600**

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

The competition's biggest crowd was entertained to a thrilling match which ended with Hakoah snatching a draw just on full-time. Hakoah looked like scoring a comfortable win after the first half hour as the team combined well and delighted the crowd with eye-catching football. However after Pan Hellenic's equaliser the "visitors" were in complete control and with their tactics seemed assured of victory. Unluckily, they failed to clinch it.

Bankstown's poor tactics cost the team, at least, a draw. Prague's forwards were allowed too much latitude. Prague played at half-pace but never looked like losing, mainly because of Bankstown's strange tactics. Both sets of forwards missed "sitters" and the game never reached great heights.

The standard of play was scrappy and the match never reached great heights. APIA started off like champions and looked like having the game sewn up after 10 minutes. Gladesville fought back gallantly and their blend of experience and youth paid off. They received, however, some unexpected support from APIA goalie De Francesco who misjudged many shots, some costly. Gladesville's win is nevertheless fully deserved as the team showed great determination and solidity in defence.

Both teams missed their injured captains and the defences suffered from their absence, particularly the visitors who were not quite so efficient mid-field. Canterbury surprised by adopting defencive tactics when comfortably in the lead. This spoilt the match as a spectacle but the better team did win — on the day. Centre forward Watkiss scored three goals and spearheaded the Berries win with strong runs down the centre.

The first twenty minutes were packed with interest and two good goals, one by each team, kept the crowd on its toes. Polonia lost two forwards through injury in the first half and after lemons their condition ran out. The eleven fit Auburn players were then on top and deserved their narrow win.

After two quick Budapest goals Sydney Austral's defence crumbled up and never recovered to put up any resistance. The Budapest forward line, led by remarkable Spaniard, Medina, and the brilliant Schauman scored almost at will. It was a one-sided affair from beginning to end.

FOR AND AGAINST

WE LIKED:

- The seasons's biggest competition crowd, 11,050, at the Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic match last Sunday.
- Referee H. Ipenburg's firm handling of the abovementioned, thus ensuring an incident-free match.
- Refereeing, generally.
- Les Schauman (Budapest) scoring seven goals — the highest individual total for any Sydney player since the inception of Federation.
- John Watkiss recording a hat-trick to celebrate his 100th game with Canterbury.

WE DID NOT LIKE:

- No complaints this week, thank you.

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION
(2nd and 3rd grades)

Prague v. Bankstown	2:1;	0:0
APIA v. Gladesville	4:0;	1:0
C'bury v. Sth. Coast	3:2;	1:4
Polonia N.S. v. Auburn	0:4;	0:2
Budapest v. Syd. Aust.	5:0;	2:2
Hakoah v. P. Hellenic	3:2;	3:2

SECOND DIVISION

C'cordia v. Sutherland	2:3;	1:7
T'gabbie v. Manly	2:1;	0:0
Granville v. Blacktown	3:2;	5:1
Corinth's v. Croatia	3:0;	2:0
Balgownie v. Lidcombe	2:0;	7:0
Julia v. Yugal	1:2;	1:3

THIRD DIVISION

Nova v. M. Eagles	2:3;	0:1
Guildford v. Penrith	2:4;	0:3
Lansvale v. Uni. NSW.	6:2;	4:8
F. Maltese v. D'moyne	0:1;	3:1
*Lansvale v. Syd. Uni.	4:2;	2:3

*Deferred match from May 27.

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THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, August 12

FIRST DIVISION

(Three grades, 11. 45 a.m., 1.15, 3 p.m.)

CANTERBURY v. AUBURN	—	Arlington Oval
POLONIA N.S. v. HAKOAH	—	Sydney Athletic Field
BANKSTOWN v. SYD. AUST.	—	Wiley Park, Lakemba

SECOND DIVISION

(Two grades, 1.15, 3 p.m.)

YUGAL v. GRANVILLE	—	Concord Oval

THIRD DIVISION

(Two grades 1. 15, 3.00 p.m.)

Nova v. Fairfield Maltese	—	Jensen Oval, Regents Pk.
Drummoyne v. Guildford	—	Callan Park Oval, Rozelle
Sydney University v. Lansvale	—	St. Paul's Oval, University
Melita Eagles v. Juventus	—	Fraser Park, Sydenham
Penrith and University N.S.W.	—	byes

Sunday, August 13

FIRST DIVISION

(Three grades, 11. 45 a.m., 1.15, 3 p.m.)

PAN HELLENIC v. APIA	—	Wentworth Park
GLADESVILLE v. BUDAPEST	—	Drummoyne Oval
PRAGUE v. STH. COAST U.	—	Sydney Athletic Field

SECOND DIVISION

(Two grades 1. 15, 3.00 p.m.)

BALGOWNIE v. BLACKTOWN	—	Balgownie Oval
CORINTH'S v. CONCORDIA	—	Jubilee Oval
LIDCOMBE v. CROATIA	—	Mona Park, Auburn
MANLY v. JULIA	—	Dee Why Oval
SUTHERLAND v. T'GABBIE	—	Seymour Pk., Miranda

Next weekend

Saturday, August 19

FIRST DIVISION

(Three grades 11 45 am, 1.15, 3 p.m.)

HAKOAH v. BUDAPEST	—	Wentworth Park
C'BURY v. PAN HELLENIC	—	Arlington Oval
SYD. AUST. v. POLONIA N.S.	—	Cricket Ground No. 2

SECOND DIVISION

(Two grades, 1.15, 3 p.m.)

CONCORDIA v. CROATIA	—	Fraser Park, Sydenham

THIRD DIVISION

(Two grades 1. 15, 3.00 p.m.)

Guildford v. Nova	—	Guildford Oval

Sunday, August 20

FIRST DIVISION

(Three grades, 11. 45 a.m., 1.15, 3 p.m.)

PRAGUE v. AUBURN	—	Sydney Athletic Field
GLADESVILLE v. BANKST'N	—	Drummoyne Oval
APIA v. SOUTH COAST U.	—	Lambert Park

SECOND DIVISION

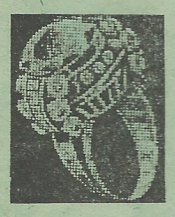
(Two grades, 1.15, 3,00 p.m.)

LIDCOMBE v. BLACKTOWN	—	Mona Park, Auburn
CORINTH'S v. T'GABBIE	—	Jubilee Oval
JULIA v. SUTHERLAND	—	Frazer Park, Sydenham
GRANVILLE v. MANLY	—	McArthur Park
BALGOWNIE v. YUGAL	—	Balgownie Oval

THIRD DIVISION

(Two grades, 1.15, 3,00 p.m.)

Fairf'ld Malt. v. Melita Eagles	—	Knight Park, Fairfield
Lansvale v. Penrith	—	Hartley's Oval, Lansvale
Juventus v. Uni. NSW.	—	St. John's Park, Cabramatta



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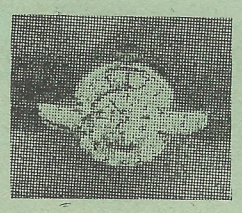

Competition Tables

FIRST DIVISION

First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Prague	12	2	3	45	25	26
Canterbury	10	3	4	42	23	23
Pan Hellenic	9	4	4	37	29	22
Polonia N.S.	9	4	4	40	34	22
Hakoah	8	5	4	51	33	21
Budapest	8	2	7	41	37	18
Auburn	6	5	6	35	26	17
APIA	7	2	8	42	39	16
Bankstown	5	4	8	28	32	14
Gladesville	5	3	9	28	33	13
Sth. Coast U.	5	1	11	21	47	11
Syd. Aust.	—	1	16	21	83	1

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
APIA	12	3	2	42	17	27
Sth. Coast U.	12	1	4	49	25	25
Auburn	11	2	4	51	33	24
Prague	10	2	5	43	31	22
Canterbury	9	2	6	43	33	20
Bankstown	8	3	6	34	30	19
Pan Hellenic	5	4	8	46	48	14
Hakoah	4	4	9	31	36	12
Budapest	4	4	9	29	40	12
Gladesville	4	3	10	37	45	11
Polonia N.S.	5	1	12	26	42	10
Syd. Aust.	3	2	12	21	62	8

Third Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bankstown	12	4	1	48	17	28
Prague	10	5	2	54	19	25
Auburn	11	2	4	35	21	24
Canterbury	8	5	4	36	24	21
Polonia N.S.	9	2	6	30	25	20
Sth. Coast U.	9	1	7	37	28	19
Hakoah	7	1	9	33	29	15
APIA	6	3	8	30	29	15
Gladesville	6	2	9	21	28	12
Budapest	3	3	11	16	44	9
Pan Hellenic	4	—	13	22	47	8
Syd. Aust.	2	2	13	12	55	6

SECOND DIVISION

First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Yugal	15	—	2	63	22	30
Balgownie	12	1	4	47	17	25
Granville	12	1	4	54	25	25
Blacktown	9	5	3	35	28	23
Croatia	10	1	6	46	27	21
Sutherland	9	3	5	38	34	21
Corinthians	7	4	6	39	35	18
Toongabbie	6	1	10	31	47	13
Concordia	3	2	12	23	49	8
Manly	3	1	13	25	48	7
Lidcombe	3	1	13	26	55	7
Julia	2	2	13	14	54	6

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Granville	14	2	1	62	28	30
Corinthians	13	3	1	71	25	29
Balgownie	10	3	4	54	21	23
Sutherland	9	2	6	53	30	20
Yugal	9	2	6	38	30	20
Manly	7	2	8	35	49	16
Concordia	8	—	9	29	49	16
Toongabbie	5	4	8	26	39	14
Blacktown	4	3	9	32	41	11
Croatia	3	2	11	22	38	8
Lidcombe	3	2	12	28	68	8
Julia	2	3	12	19	60	7

THIRD DIVISION

First Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Penrith	12	—	4	56	23	24
Melita Eagles	10	3	1	45	25	23
Juventus	9	3	2	52	24	21
D'moyne	8	3	5	36	21	19
Syd. Uni.	8	1	6	41	39	17
Nova	7	1	8	42	29	15
Lansvale	6	1	7	44	33	15
Fairf'ld Malt.	7	—	8	27	39	14
Uni. NSW.	2	4	9	21	42	8
Guildford	2	1	12	34	65	5
*Hawkesbury	—	1	9	6	64	1

Second Grade

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Penrith	11	4	1	47	20	26
Melita Eagles	10	1	3	57	15	21
Juventus	9	3	1	46	17	21
Nova	8	1	7	46	26	17
Syd. Uni.	7	2	6	32	35	16
D'moyne	6	4	6	28	30	16
Fairf'ld Malt.	7	2	6	27	29	16
Lansvale	4	4	6	26	30	12
Guildford	2	2	11	16	60	6
Uni. NSW.	2	1	12	19	63	5
*Hawkesbury	2	—	8	12	28	4

*Withdrew.

Leading goalers

L. Schauman	(Budapest)	23
H. Ninaus	(Prague)	20
R. Levi	(Hakoah)	19
V. Wentzel	(APIA)	18
R. Burgoyne	(Pan Hellenic)	15
R. Burns	(Sth. Coast U.)	15
J. Watkiss	(Canterbury)	14
J. Czubala	(Polonia N.S.)	13
L. Baumgartner	(APIA)	12

- WEEKEND TEAMS -

Canterbury v. Auburn

REFEREE: J. IPENBURG,
LINESMEN: D. BUCHAN, A.R. BROWN

CANTERBURY		AUBURN
R. BROWN	1	W. HENDERSON
T. NORTH	2	R. DUFF
G. NUTTALL	3	R. McLELLAND
D. BROWN	4	S. COUSINS
J. CURRY	5	F. Van GAALEN
G. CAMPBELL	6	W. BARCLAY
J. MOORE	7	B. STAPLES
B. SMITH	8	R. HALL
J. WATKISS	9	G. CLYDESDALE
J. WARREN	10	L. QUESTED
B. SALISBURY	11	H. ROBERTSON

Polonia N. S. v. Hakoah

REFEREE: R. PEARCE
LINESMEN: N. JONES, S. PUNDYK

POLONIA N.S.		HAKOAH
M. VARGLIEN	1	H. WENZL
F. BOLAND	2	D. LAPWOOD
S. SKLAREK	3	J. AIRD
A. RINGLAND	4	M. CHALDI
F. ROSA	5	K. JAROS
M. WALKER	6	A. BLUTSCH
W. PILOT	7	P. HRNCIR
J. CZUBALA	8	R. LEVI
J. GALECZKA	9	W. HUME
J. ~~BRYCE~~	10	H. DOLEZAL
J. ~~WONG~~	11	J. FORGACS

Bankstown v. Sydney Austral

REFEREE: J. SCIFLEET
LINESMEN: A. BOSCOVIC, W. HENDERSON

BANKSTOWN		SYDNEY AUSTRAL
G. De VRIES	1	J. BOUT
E. WEST	2	J. ABBEBROEK
L. CONROY	3	J. ROZENDAAL
J. McDERMOTT	4	G. PRIESSEN
R. MADDEN	5	W. Van SITTEREN
K. WOODS	6	J. DE BRUIN
W. WESTWARD	7	J. WOUSTING
T. YATES	8	J. VERMEULEN
I. SAVELL	9	J. VAN DER WALL
J. RIVERS	10	W. ZOETEMAN
B. WAINWRIGHT	11	A. SMIT

Pan Hellenic v. APIA

REFEREE: F. SBISA
LINESMEN: L. WILSON, H. EILHERTS

PAN HELLENIC		A.P.I.A.
J. HATZIS	1	A. IGLESIAS
G. YANGOU	2	L. STEDMAN
A. MAURICE	3	N. COSETTINI
E. MAVRO	4	R. DAVIS
T. TOUSSIS	5	D. SCHIO
C. OMEROS	6	F. BOTALICCO
J. GARGALE	7	B. MORROW
S. PATRINOS	8	V. WENTZEL
R. BURGOYNE	9	L. BAUMGARTNER
F. HEARN	10	J. SMITH
J. GENARIS	11	P. HUGHES

Gladesville v. Budapest S. S.

REFEREE: H. PARSONS
LINESMEN: J. TIMMS, A. BOARDMAN

GLADESVILLE		BUDAPEST
K. HOUGH	1	Z. GREGORIC
N. WISDOM	2	S. TSOMBARAS
P. KEEN	3	J. GERGELY
J. MAASLAND	4	B. JONAS
W. ADDISON	5	J. POMPOR
B. GREENFIELD	6	G. KOVACS
D. PARISH	7	G. VASVARY
R. BAKER	8	J. MEDINA
P. JARVIS	9	C. KANGYAR
J. GALANOS	10	H. HOLZER
N. TOWNSEND	11	L. SCHAUMAN

Prague v. South Coast United

REFEREE: J. CARTER
LINESMEN: R. DAVEY, L. SMIT

PRAGUE		STH. COAST UTD.
R. LORD	1	M. TRISIC
J. PETTIGREW	2	W. WILLIAMS
K. HIRON	3	W. TAYLOR
S. SHERWIN	4	J KELLY
E. NINAUS	5	S. DEVLIN
L. SCHEINFLUG	6	J. HARRIS
G. JONES	7	R. BURNS
W. TAMANDL	8	T. HOGAN
J. CHRISTENSEN	9	H. Van Der GAAG
H. NINAUS	10	D. ROBERTS
F. TAMANDL	11	T. ARNALL

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Awaba 6, West Wallsend 1; Adamstown 3, Blacksmiths 2; Lake Macquarie 5, Cessnock 1; Mayfield 3, Cardiff 1; Wallsend 4, Newcastle Austral 0.

ADELAIDE

League: Lion 1, Juventus 1; Croatia 3, Beograd 1; Budapest 3. Polonia 0; Orange 2, Cumberland 1.

How they stand: Croatia 28, Budapest 27, Juventus 25, Lion 16, Cumberland, Orange 11, Beograd 10, Polonia 8.

BRISBANE

Hellenic 3, Annerley 0; Latrobe 4, Blackstone 3; YMCA 5, Taringa 0, Merton 4, Sandgate 2; Grange-Thistle 2, St. Helens 0; Oxley 6, Toowoomba 0; Azzurri 5, Bundamba 1; Easts United 3, Mitchelton 1.

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Interstate Round-up

- MELBOURNE -

From L. K. STONE

POLONIA 5
SLAVIA 1

GOALSCORERS: Jurecki 3, Voros 2 (Polonia); Haasz (Slavia).

Polonia crushed Slavia with a good win after a slow, almost casual start and in the first 35 minutes the Czechs failed to capitalise on the opportunities presented to them.

Ten minutes before interval, Polonia applied full pressure and scored twice.

In the second half, Polonia were well on top and their centre forward Jurecki again proved the brain of the fleet-footed Polish forward line, helping himself to three goals.

Slavia forward Cooke was ordered off in the second half.

Estimated attendance 3,000 at Olympic Park, Saturday.

RICHMOND 0
J.U.S.T. 3

GOALSCORER: Beattie 3, (JUST).

Adapting themselves better to the heavy ground, JUST kept Richmond floundering with greater pace and system to record a comfortable win.

Centre forward Alex Beattie receiving great service from JUST star half back Micic scored his fourth hat-trick of the season.

Estimated attendance 500, at Olympic Track, West Heidelberg.

STH. MELB. HELLAS 1
HAKOAH 1

GOALSCORERS: Mandarakis (Hellas); Eager (Hakoah).

Hakoah held on to their place in the four by drawing a rough game with Hellas on their muddy joint home ground, Middle Park.

Hellas supporters proved troublesome at times and police had to be called for increased vigilance.

Hellas centre forward Karayannis who has been a success this season was sent off in the second half and when full back Mandarakis took over the position and scored, Hellas looked more effective.

Estimated attendance 5,000 at Middle Park.

MORELAND 1
MELBOURNE 1

GIALSCORERS: Oxton (Moreland); Loskai (Melbourne).

In their vital struggle to avoid relegation, Moreland took a hard earned point off Melbourne in a game that never reached a high standard.

The Hungarians had the better approach but their forwards were ineffective in front of goal.

Both keepers, Azzopardi of Moreland and Gross of Melbourne distinguished themselves with several fine saves.

Estimated attendance 500 at Campbell Reserve, Moreland.

JUVENTUS 3
WILHELMINA 2

GOALSCORERS: Barbazza, Kenny, Fiorvanti, (Juventus); Bons, Noy, (Wilhelmina).

Juventus defeated Wilhelmina in a hard fought encounter with the winning goal from the useful Fiorvanti coming in the dying minutes of the game.

Mrs. Van Hoboken, wife of the Wilhelmina President, watched the team go down by a narrow margin at the Showground, while her famous horse Carey Light won the Australian Hurdle Race at Caulfield.

Estimated attendance 3,200 at Showground.

BOX HILL 0
GEORGE CROSS 2

GOALSCORER: Hodgson 2 (George Cross).

League leaders George Cross were fully extended by Box Hill who held them to a goalless draw at interval.

In the second half George Cross unleashed a deadly onslaught and two goals by Don Hodgson spelt victory for the consistent Maltese.

Estimated attendance 800 at Wembley Park, Box Hill.

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Craven "A" International Cup replay — Malta 0, Greece 0 after extra time).

Replay again — next Sunday.

* * *

How they stand: George Cross, Polonia 28, Wilhelmina 26, Hakoah 23, Hellas 22, Juventus, JUST, 19, Slavia 18, Melbourne 16, Moreland 9, Box Hill, 8, Richmond 7.

- NEWCASTLE -

From PAUL MACKENZIE

A most necessary part of equipment at Northern soccer grounds these days is a computing machine, because it is a matter of working out places on the points score table to decimal points.

With one series of matches to play, Awaba leads Wallsend by .19 on goal average — and it seems certain that the average will determine which of the two sides will win the premiership.

Awaba gained a very handy .80 points at the weekend when it toppled the strong West Wallsend side 6:1 while Wallsend was busily beating Newcastle Austral, 4:0.

This weekend, Awaba goes to Cessnock, while Wallsend is off to Cardiff.

Both visiting teams should win, but goals will count as they have never counted before — and that means not only goals scored but the goals lost, too.

With both teams winning, Wallsend will need to score two goals to each one scored by Awaba and also needs to lose fewer goals.

That is going to be quite a task because, in its 17 matches this season, Awaba has conceded only 20 goals, whereas Wallsend has lost 29.

However, Wallsend has scored 60 goals to Ababa's 45.

But Awaba has an average of 2.25 to Wallsend's 2.06.

But that's not all. There's a battle for fourth place, with Lake Macquarie, 5:1 conqueror of Cessnock last Sunday, sure of holding third position, but not likely to win the premiership, whether or not both Awaba and Wallsend are beaten this weekend.

Adamstown had a hard won victory, at 3:1, against Blacksmiths Rangers last weekend to carry it into fourth place, which it had previously shared with Cessnock and West Wallsend.

But this weekend Adamstown plays Lake Macquarie at Adamstown and could easily go down.

Adamstown, at the moment, has a goal average of 1.35 and is followed by Cessnock, 1.09, Mayfield United 1.7 and West Wallsend, 1.06.

West Wallsend plays Mayfield United and should win, but it is doubtful if it can win by enough to make up the leeway, while Cessnock faces Awaba and is likely to lose.

Wallsend Club officials are considering offering the Cessnock players a handsome bonus to defeat Awaba, while Awaba probably make a similar offer to Cardiff players for a win-know that, when a free-kick or place-kick is given, a ball is not deemed to be in play at ning score against Wallsend.

It's all very intriguing and the reason for the merrily clicking turnstiles at Northern grounds.

Naturally, the focal point of interest is centred on the matche this weekend in which the teams which can decide the various issues will play.

The Northern League's decision to introduce the promotion and relegation system has worked wonders for the competition — and interest — in the North.

With the possibility of the addition of a Third Division competition next season and a system of promotion and relegation for the three divisions coming into being we can expect an even more successful season in 1962.

Matches this weekend are: Adamstown v. Lake Macquarie, Cardiff v. Wallsend; Cessnock v. Awaba; West Wallsend v. Mayfield United; Newcastle Austral v. Blacksmiths.

Points gained are: Awaba 25 (goal average 2.25), Wallsend 25 (2.06), Lake Macquarie 23 (1.77), Adamstown 20 (1.35), Cessnock 18 (1.09), West Wallsend 18 (1.06), Mayfield United 18 (1.07), Cardiff 12, Newcastle Austral 10, Blacksmiths Rangers 1.

So you think you know soccer?

No. 14/II

By R. E. FEREE

Players are supposed to the moment the referee blows his whistle, but only when the ball has travelled the distance of its circumference, which is 27—28 inches.

However, this is not always the case, as the referee must be aware, if he is to adjudicate correctly, and in the following instance, although the ball has fulfilled its requirements, the referee's decision could raise some doubt in the minds of many soccer fans.

After a melee in front of the goalmouth, a goal-kick is awarded.

There is some dissension between two opposing players, the right back and the centre forward, as to whether it should have been a goal-kick or a corner-kick, and the arbiter manages to quieten things down by separating the arguers.

When all the attacking players have left the penalty area, the signal for the goal-kick is given.

As soon as the ball has travelled some yards, but before it has left the penalty area, the same centre forward enters that area and is violently fouled by the right defending back, and before the referee can stop play the ball passes outside the penalty area.

The game is now stopped for the infringement, and if you had to decide would you award a penalty-kick?

ANSWER: You had better not, because although the ball has travelled its circumference, the offence occurred whilst the ball was still in the penalty area, and Law 13 states that for any free-kick being awarded to the defending side in the penalty, area, the ball must be kicked direct into play beyond the penalty area, otherwise it is re-taken.

So, you must caution or dismiss the guilty player and restart the game by having the goal-kick re-taken.

A penalty-kick cannot be awarded as the ball was not in play at the time of the incident.

FAMOUS CLUB TEAMS - No. 20

CELTIC (Glasgow) - "Holy" war

By Lou Gautier

Last week we published the "Ranger's story" — Celtic's old "enemies".

In this article the author touches on the same subject but from Celtic's point of view.

Turning the spotlight on Celtic's brilliant Scottish record is dazzling.

Their home honours are so numerous that it is hard to know just where to begin.

Although Glasgow Rangers have in recent years overhauled Celtic's League Championship record no Scottish club has ever been close to emulate the Celts' six Premierships in a row (1904—1910).

Today Rangers, Hibernians and Hearts may have more world-wide recognition than Celtic but that club commands huge attendances north of the English border as well as being the only Scottish club, with Rangers, which has never been relegated to Second Division in more than 73 years.

Celtic was founded by a band of men who knew very little about soccer but wanted some means of raising money for the Catholic poor of Glasgow.

They were mostly Irishmen and members of the Catholic church of St. Mary's.

In November 1887 the club was formed and the Archbishop of Glasgow gave his patronage.

From the very start of their soccer existence the club flew from success to success, reaching the final of the Cup in their first year.

The club has won the Scottich League Championship 20 times, the Cup 18 times the Glasgow Cup 22 times and the Charity Cup 26 times.

65 Celtic players have represented Scotland and five of them captained the national team.

Although the club has changed its initial purpose it still remains the beacon of all Scottish Catholics.

Unlike other Scottish clubs it does not represent a district or suburb but draws support from Irishmen living all over Scotland, not only Glasgow where the club has its home ground, Celtic Park.

Celtic can boast one record that stands far above any achievement of its kind in League Football in Great Britain and equals the feat of Belgium's Union St. Gilloise.

Between November 13, 1915 and April 1917, Celtic played 63 competition matches without defeat, only conceding four draws.

(The Belgians, from 1953 to 1956, only lost one match out of eighty two.)

In its colourful history the club adunds in great players.

Adams, McNair, Loney, Quinn McNemeny, and Hay were the backbone of the great team between 1904—1910.

In the "20's" Jimmy McGrory scored 500 goals in League football — a record in British soccer.

McGrory set a world record when he scored three goals in three minutes against Motherwell on March 21, 1936.

Two weeks later he scored 9 goals in a competition match against Dunfermline.

Celtic's matches against arch-rivals Rangers have made world-wide headlines for over sixty years.

Both clubs originally represented the extremes in religion and supporters interpret every clash as a "holy war".

One Cup Final, in 1910, even had to be abandoned as supporters of both clubs invaded the pitch to do battle.

Police last year, after a riot in which the referee had to be hospitalized, ruled that no soft drinks could be sold in bottles when these teams met.

Since the war Celtic's star has not shone as brightly as other clubs have stolen most of the limelight.

The club still retains its glamour and its current Internationals, Auld and Haffey, are the backbone of a team which has high hopes of retaining the Cup it won last season.

As for the League title which has evaded Celtic since 1954, fans are hoping that their favourites will win this season and make their debut in the European Cup.

NEXT WEEK: PENAROL —URUGUAY.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Australian championship

In the last two years soccer in Sydney and in other cities in Australia took a great stride for the better.

But nobody knows which individual team is the best in this country.

I suggest that at the end of the premiership, there should be a final competition between the winning teams of Sydney, Melbourne, Newcastle and Brisbane.

This could be arranged in two meetings — Wednesday night semifinals and Sunday afternoon final.

These matches, I am sure, would draw record crowds, and would determine the best team of this country.

Each year the matches could take place in a different city.

N. Pinter, Sydney.

Praise from proud father

Being a proud father of a 7-year-old playing soccer for his first season, I thought you may be interested in a few facts about his team.

The team is Caringbah Rangers C, playing in the under 8-years-old section.

None of the team has ever played soccer previously to this year and yet, at the completion of the third round, they are undefeated.

Also they have only had two goals scored against them in 15 games.

The team manager should be commended for the fine work he has done with this team.

P. G. Cartwright, Caringbah.

Filling the depth

This season our standard of play has risen to an all time high, and on top of that, and probably more gratifying is the fact that our third grade competition is also being played at its highest ever standard, and is producing some of our future first grade stars.

But the disappointing aspect about our competition this season has been the rather low standard of our second grade competition.

This has been caused mainly by the "wholesale" transfer of players to Second Division.

Quite a few players again next season will probably transfer to the Second Division, with most Second Division clubs vieing for First Division players' services in their bid for promotion.

It seems, for a while anyway, we will have our reserve ranks weakened, while we, "fill our depth" by strengthening our Second and Third Division competitions.

This will lead in a few years time, to the day when a Second Division club, when promoted to the top division, will not have to "buy" a complete new team, but will be able to hold their own in top company, with the foundations of their original team.

Bruce Cameron, Blacktown.

Looking for announcer?

May I, through the medium of your very fine soccer publication offer my services as an announcer to any soccer club who may be in need of same?

I spent a number of years with the West of England B.B.C., recording outside broadcasts and assure you I know soccer thoroughly, once having been on the playing strength of an English soccer club, and last year wrote a column for North Side Sports News.

G. M. Pepperdine, 33 Oswell Street, Rockdale, NSW.

Relief of boredom

One of the many good things the Federation has done to soccer is the introduction of an age limit on its 3rd team players in First Division clubs.

I, like many, agree that these youngsters have produced an excellent standard of football, which has been very pleasing to the public.

Surely the time has come when clubs could bring up these youngsters into the 2nd team, and introduce yet again new blood in the 3rd team.

There are hundreds of lads between the ages of 16 to 18 who are awaiting the opportunity now that the experiment has proved a success.

Clubs have done a grand job with these players, thus giving the public a better standard of football.

By doing this, they would do away with the shocking standard of football that is produced by present 2nd team players, many of whom are has-beans and those who will never improve.

Thus relieving the spectators of the awful boredom created for 90 minutes between 3rd and 1st team matches.

Soccer Follower, Drummoyne.

SECOND DIVISION

By LES FARR

Competition for places in Second Division semi-finals is very keen, with six teams well in the running.

Yugal are the only certainty, with Balgownie and Granville looking pretty safe, but with only two points separating the next three teams it's anybody's guess as to who will make it.

Sutherland gained a last minute win against Concordia last weekend to enhance their semi-final prospects, the score being:

CONCORDIA v. S'LAND 2:3

A good move early in the game led to a goal by Nimmo to give Sutherland the lead.

Concordia, fought back and drew level when Komminsky netted from close in, but a second goal by Nimmo gave the visitors a 2:1 lead at half-time.

A break-away by Komminsky brought the equaliser for Concordia and they hung on grimly to the last minute, when Nimmo completed his hat-trick and gave victory to Sutherland.

Toongabbie removed the threat of relegation with a narrow win against Manly.

TOONGABBIE v. MANLY 2:1

In a rather dull game, Toongabbie went to a 1:0 lead at half time with a goal by Cosgrove.

Manly fought back hard in the second half, but against the run of the play Toongabbie went further ahead.

A goal by Leddicoat for Manly reduced the arrears, but the "Gabbie" held on for a narrow win.

Granville were hard put to win a close game against Blacktown, which resulted:—

GRANVILLE v. B'TOWN 3:2

After Barlow had given Granville an early lead, Blacktown came right back with a copy-book goal by Pokrzywnicki.

Blacktown were playing good football, but seemed upset when a penalty for hands midway through the second half, netted by Crelley, gave Granville the lead, and five minutes later Donaldson made it 3:1 for the home side.

A goal by Stam-de-Jong reduced the deficit for Blacktown, who fought hard for a draw, which would have been a fairer result of this game.

JULIA v. YUGAL 1:2

After a Julia defender had mis-kicked the ball into his own net for Yugal's first goal, Kinsky levelled the score for the home side.

Yugal's winning goal came when their winger received the ball apparently yards off-side, was allowed to go on and centre for Krstulovich to score.

Julia looked to have equalised when Rossi hooked a high ball into the net, but the goal was surprisingly disallowed for dangerous kicking, though no other player was within six yards of Rossi at the time.

CORINTHS v. CROATIA 3:0

On top throughout, Corinthians scored three goals in the first half, the scorers being Selley, Ratcliffe and Miller.

Only a brilliant display by the Croatia goalie Aloca prevented Corinthians from increasing their score in the second half.

B'GOWNIE v. LIDCOMBE 2:0

Out of form at the moment, Balgownie made hard work of this game and their forwards missed many chances before Ryan scored to give them a 1:0 lead at half time.

The pattern was much the same in the second half and Harris scored a second goal to give Balgownie the points which keep them in the promotion race.

THIS WEEKEND

Yugal meet Granville in a vital match at Concord Oval and I fancy Granville to win narrowly.

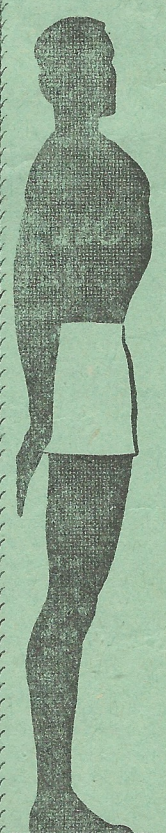
Manly are at home to Julia and both teams desperately need the point. I tip Julia to win.

Sutherland should beat Toongabbie when they meet at Seymour Park.

Blacktown travel to Balgownie where the home team are expected to win.

Corinthians should gain a comfortable victory against Concordia at Jubilee Oval.

Croatia visit Lidcombe and should win a close game.



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by Tad Targ

from the sidelines

PHILOSOPHY versus ECONOMY

I hope professional philosophers will not mind my intrusion on their domain, as I am about to ponder on the subject of imported players and their treatment in Australia.

Are we heading in the right direction?

To answer this question we must first ask another one: what has become and is becoming of the imported players?

Do they improve, do they retain their European standard or do they decline in their performance?

My finding is not a rosy one; they do not improve, unfortunately, and, at best, they retain their former brilliance.

But, in great majority of cases, the players' standard declines after a couple of seasons.

What are the causes?

First of all, we must realise that the players migrate here, principally, for promise of material gains.

This is understandable and we cannot hold it against them.

But, what really happens?

The players are being "bestowed" with money, or things material, all too quickly.

On the other hand, they are thrown out of their normal routine by our failure to provide the conditions and facilities they have been accustomed to.

You see — these fellows, or great majority of them, were not necessarily short of a pound or two at home, although they might not have been as well off, perhaps, as average Australians.

But, they had conditions, similar to those our leading tennis players enjoy.

They had jobs, good jobs, easy jobs; jobs that allowed them to train four times a week, mornings and afternoons.

Their life was training and playing football, and — enjoying it.

Here, their life is lots of hard work, chasing money and — little training (by comparison).

And the result is that imported players are gradually slipping in their performance and standard.

Yes, at the moment we are the greatest destroyers of soccer talent in the world.

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LET'S CREATE CONDITIONS

Yet, the remedy is simple. Instead of throwing them to the wolves of materialism, let's give them conditions.

Instead of big signing-on fees and fat bonuses, let us pay them for time off-work for afternoon training sessions; let us pay them the difference for possible overtime and send them to training instead; let us pay them — by all means — some sane figure for actual matches.

But, let us not allow them to work hard and for long hours, let us not allow them to train any less then they used to.

Because, then, no matter how much you'll promise for a win, a player with a run-down body and a tired mind will not be able to do it.

A willing spirit alone cannot carry a player.

Neither can former glory.

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NO INTERFERENCE, PLEASE.

We had a telephone call from a supporter last Friday. He said:

"The team you published under PRAGUE this week is a very good one."

"Yes", we said.

"The forward line — it's terrific!"

"Yes, indeed."

"But, it's not the one that's gonna play!"

"No?"

"No!!!"

"Well, sir" we said "we do not interfere with our selector."

"What'd'ya mean?"

"Our sole selector is Lou Gautier. He comes in every Tuesday night and picks what, to the best of his knowledge and ability, is the best team for each club.

"If afterwards, club selectors make sweeping changes without as much as asking Lou's permission, we cannot be held responsible for the team's performance."

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P.S.: If any, or preferably all, First Division club selectors, care to receive free advice on team selection week by week, Lou is prepared to stay back each Tuesday night. If you ring Lou at 71-1059 before 9 p.m. you might even persuade him into letting you sneak some of your own selections into your team . . .

DID YOU KNOW THAT . . .

Canterbury - Marrickville hope to have their Social Club operating by next season. Location of the Club will be in Canterbury Rd., Canterbury — opposite Fore St.

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Officials and supporters of Gladesville-Ryde extend a warm welcome to George McPhail and his charming wife, who arrived from Scotland last Tuesday.

McPhail, an inside forward or a wing half is 26, and holds a Scottish Cup medal.

He was a member of the successful Clyde team which won the Cup two years ago at Hampden Park before a crowd of 103,000.

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Gladesville-Ryde are holding a dance this Saturday (August 12) at their Club in Victoria St., Gladesville.

All soccer supporters are invited.

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Soccers' "Iron Man" fullback Bob McLelland of Auburn plays his 350th game in a fortnight. when his team meets Pan Hellenic at Mona Park.

Bob is talking about hanging up his boots at the end of this season.

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According to a West Australian paper, Australian Test Cricketer Ron Gaunt might take up soccer as his winter game.

While injured in England he had treatement for a groin injury at Arsenal Soccer Club and often trained with the "Gunners".

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Gladesville-Ryde are very pleased with coaching ability of their 3rd team coach Theo Vanderbrook.

Much credit goes to him in bringing the youngsters into the firsts.

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The Budapest-South Sydney Club will hold an Extraordinary General Meeting at 8 pm. on Friday, August 18 at Hellenic House, 251 Elizabeth St., Sydney.

All members and friends are invited.

EINAR PERSEN

- JUNIORS' INTERSTATE VISITS -

By KEITH GILMOUR

Recently District Association successfully examined no less than 19 new cadet referees — surely a fantastic number for the one district.

Sydney Branch Referees' secretary, Norm Jones, gave lectures to prepare the schoolboy candidates.

Mr. Jones said — he was amazed at the degree of accuracy achieved by the youngsters in their written examination.

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Sutherland Association secretary, Mr. J. Dear, has arranged for a Brisbane under 12 team to play in Sydney during the August/September school holidays.

The Queensland lads will be billeted in Sutherland, Gladesville, Eastwood, and other districts.

—oOo—

Queensland under 18 and South Australian under 14 will also visit Sydney in August and September.

Queensland will play two games in Newcastle and one on the South Coast.

The S.A. lads may possibly go on to Newcastle as well.

Blacktown (Second Division club) is considering matches after the season at Wagga and Griffith.

More country trips in September will give soccer a boost where it is needed most.

—oOo—

The under 18 State championship winners will gain a new perpetual trophy — the "Pylon Lookout Trophy".

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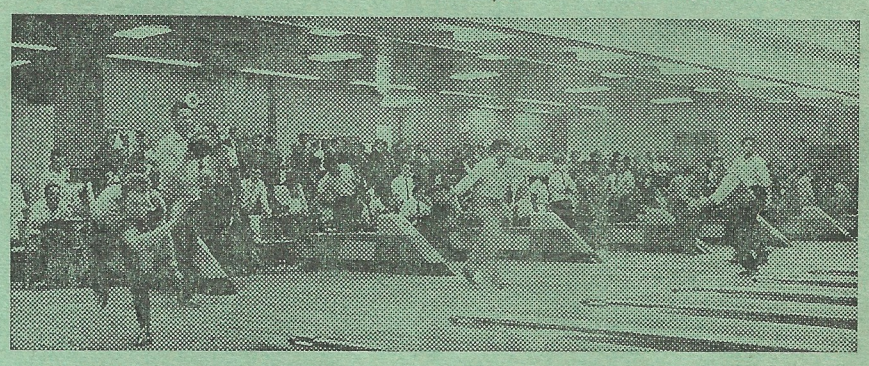
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